

# ***Supplemental Materials for Controlling Covalency and Anion Redox Potentials through Anion Substitution in Li-rich Chalcogenides***

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## **Rietveld Refinement Details**

Rietveld refinements of powder X-ray diffraction data were executed to gain quantitative structural data regarding the solid solution  $\text{Li}_2\text{FeS}_{2-y}\text{Se}_y$ . The occupancies of the metals on the mixed Li/Fe site were constrained to 0.5 for both Li and Fe, and the mixed constrained to the input stoichiometry

for the mixed S/Se site. Positions of the mixed Li/Fe and S/Se sites were allowed to refine and the position of both the Li and the Fe or the S and the Se were forced to remain equivalent. Structural parameters and goodness of fit (reduced  $\chi^2$ ) values are listed in Table S1.

| y in $\text{Li}_2\text{FeS}_{2-y}\text{Se}_y$ | a (Å)    | c (Å)     | reduced $\chi^2$ | $\text{Li}_a$ coordinates<br>(x, y, z) | $\text{Li}_b/\text{Fe}$ coordinates<br>(x, y, z) | S/Se position<br>(x, y, z) |
|---|----------|-----------|------------------|--|--|----------------------------|
| <b>0.2</b>                                    | 3.917(1) | 6.3248(5) | 2.0736           | 0, 0, 0                                | 1/3, 2/3, 0.337(2)                               | 2/3, 1/3, 0.26(2)          |
| <b>0.6</b>                                    | 3.925(2) | 6.3949(7) | 3.8025           | 0, 0, 0                                | 1/3, 2/3, 0.35(8)                                | 2/3, 1/3, 0.255(4)         |
| <b>1</b>                                      | 3.997(2) | 6.4625(5) | 3.0625           | 0, 0, 0                                | 1/3, 2/3, 0.408(6)                               | 2/3, 1/3, 0.224(1)         |
| <b>1.4</b>                                    | 4.018(2) | 6.5205(5) | 4.1616           | 0, 0, 0                                | 1/3, 2/3, 0.407(3)                               | 2/3, 1/3, 0.234(2)         |
| <b>1.8</b>                                    | 4.056(4) | 6.5762(5) | 7.0756           | 0, 0, 0                                | 1/3, 2/3, 0.409(1)                               | 2/3, 1/3, 0.227(5)         |
| <b>2</b>                                      | 4.058(2) | 6.5892(5) | 2.5281           | 0, 0, 0                                | 1/3, 2/3, 0.380(2)                               | 2/3, 1/3, 0.255(1)         |

## Supplemental Figures

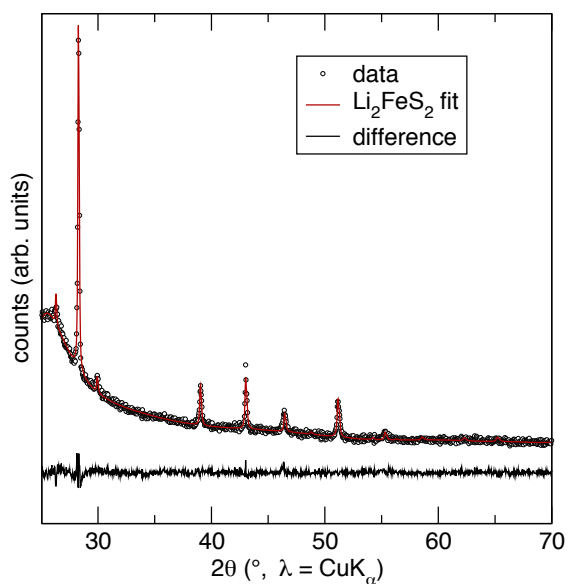


Figure S1: PXRD data and quantitative Rietveld refinement of  $\text{Li}_2\text{FeS}_2$ .

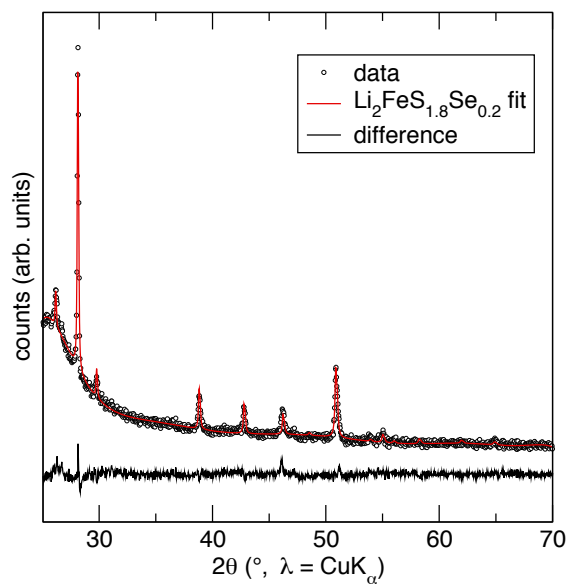


Figure S2: PXRD data and quantitative Rietveld refinement of  $\text{Li}_2\text{FeS}_{1.8}\text{Se}_{0.2}$ .

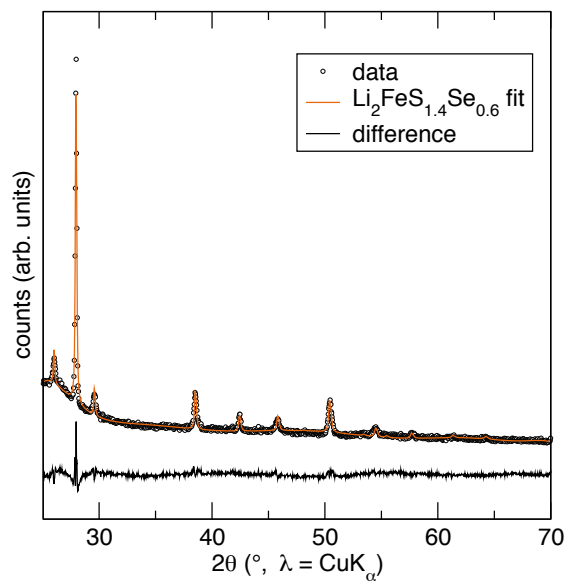


Figure S3: PXRD data and quantitative Rietveld refinement of  $\text{Li}_2\text{FeS}_{1.4}\text{Se}_{0.6}$ .

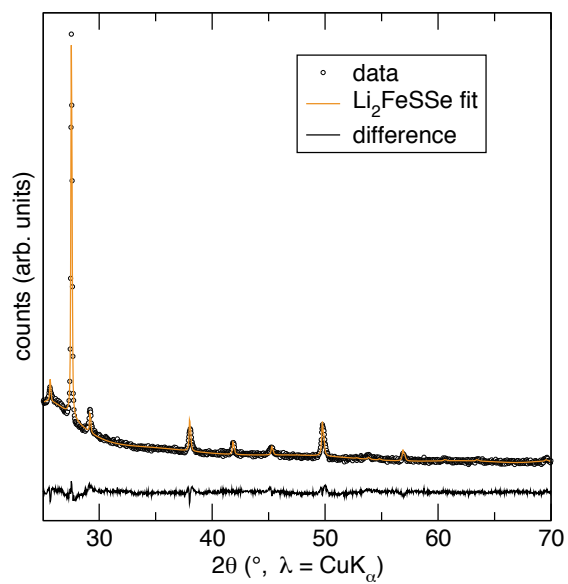


Figure S4: PXRd data and quantitative Rietveld refinement of Li<sub>2</sub>FeSSe.

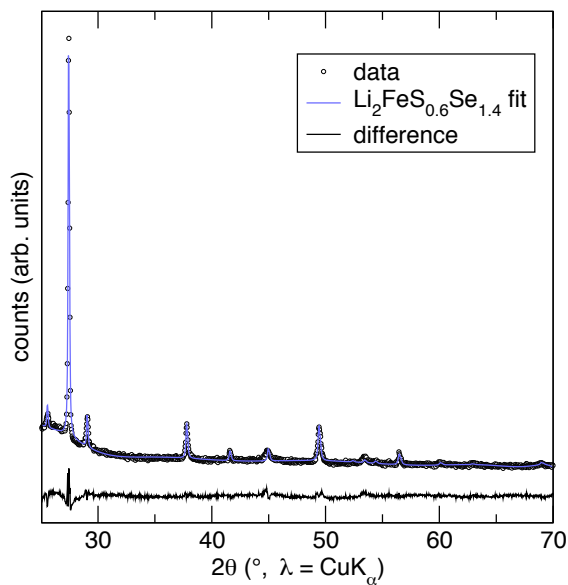


Figure S5: PXRd data and quantitative Rietveld refinement of Li<sub>2</sub>FeS<sub>0.6</sub>Se<sub>1.4</sub>.

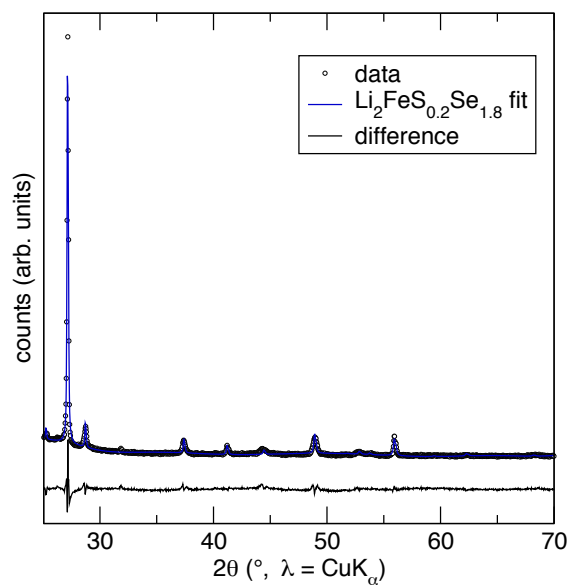


Figure S6: PXRd data and quantitative Rietveld refinement of  $\text{Li}_2\text{FeS}_{0.2}\text{Se}_{1.8}$ .

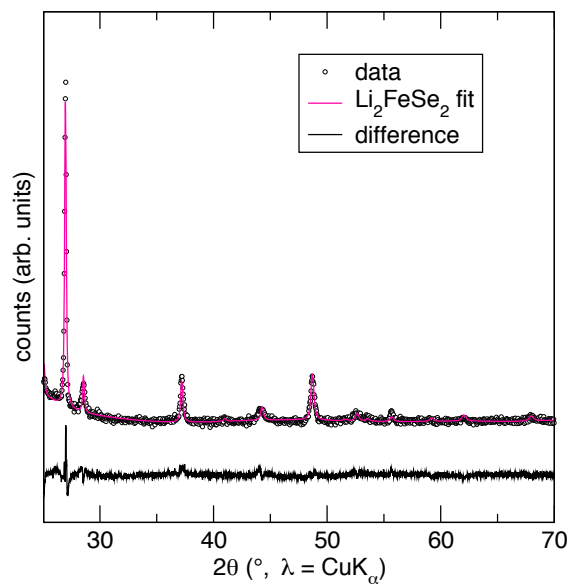


Figure S7: PXRd data and quantitative Rietveld refinement of  $\text{Li}_2\text{FeSe}_2$ .

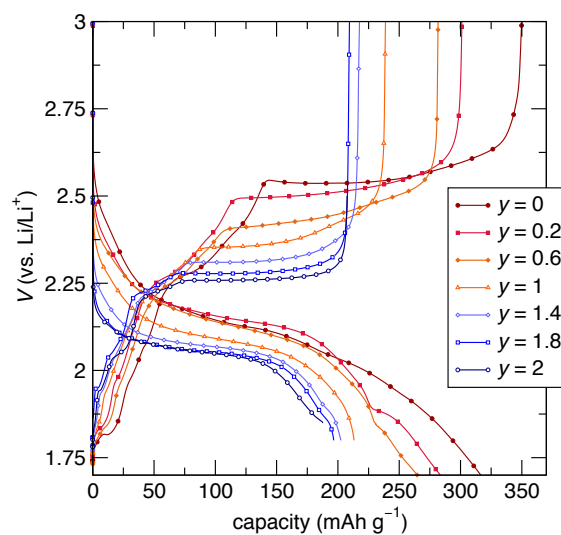


Figure S8: Galvanostatic charge/discharge curves for the solid solution  $\text{Li}_2\text{FeS}_{2-y}\text{Se}_y$ .

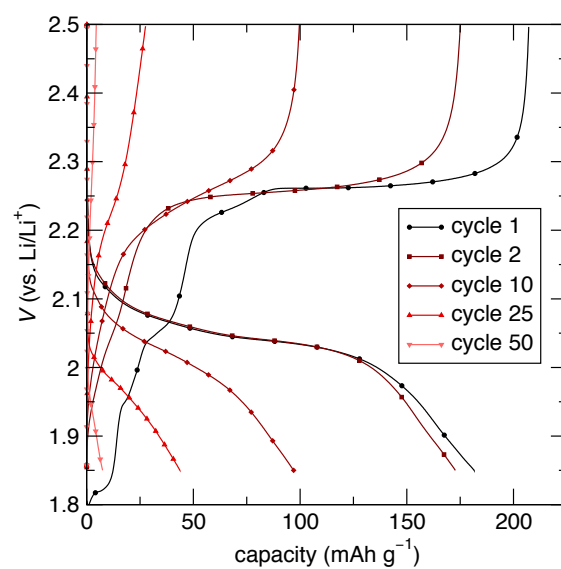


Figure S9: The 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, and 50<sup>th</sup> galvanostatic cycles of  $\text{Li}_2\text{FeSe}_2$ . The first cycle exhibits multiple inflections below 2.25 V, which are not observed upon further cycling. Significant capacity fade occurs in the first 10 cycles.

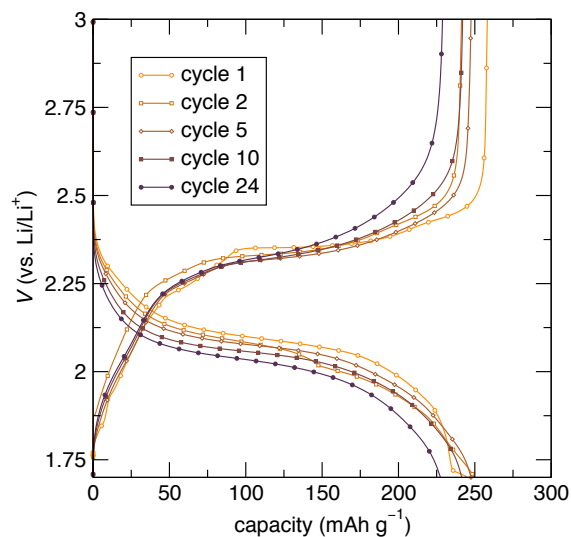


Figure S10: The 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup> galvanostatic cycles of  $\text{Li}_2\text{FeSSe}$ . The first cycle exhibits multiple inflections below 2.38 V, which are not observed upon further cycling. Capacity fade becomes evident after the first 10 cycles.

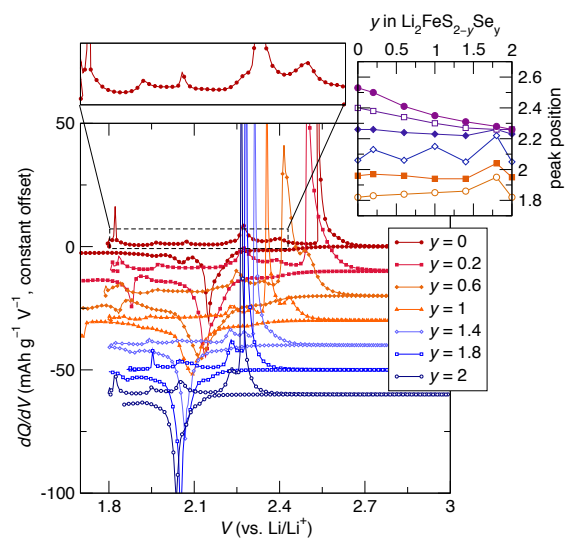


Figure S11:  $dQ/dV$  plots of the solid solution  $\text{Li}_2\text{FeS}_{2-y}\text{Se}_y$ . The inset tracks the various oxidation processes as a function of chalcogen content.

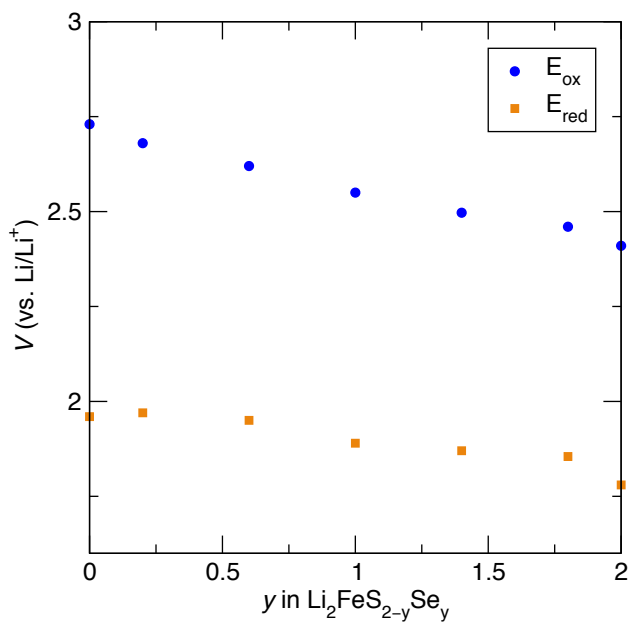


Figure S12: Position of the major oxidative and reductive waves observed via cyclic voltammetry versus chalcogen content.

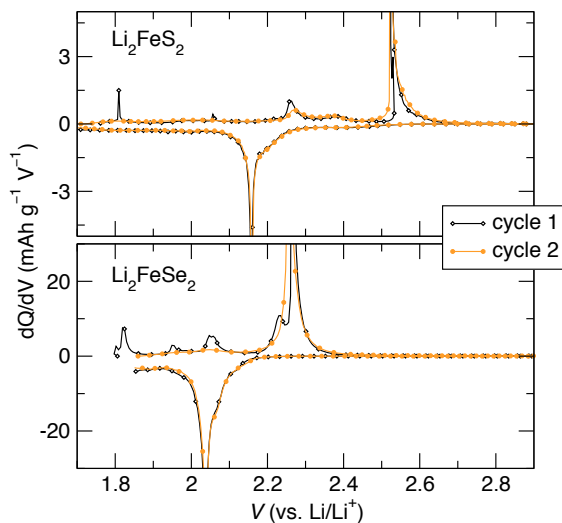


Figure S13:  $dQ/dV$  plots of  $\text{Li}_2\text{FeS}_2$  and  $\text{Li}_2\text{FeSe}_2$ . The sulfide exhibits reproducible electrochemistry from cycle one to cycle two. The selenide exhibits less clear features on the second cycle, indicating some irreversible changes occurring on the first cycle.



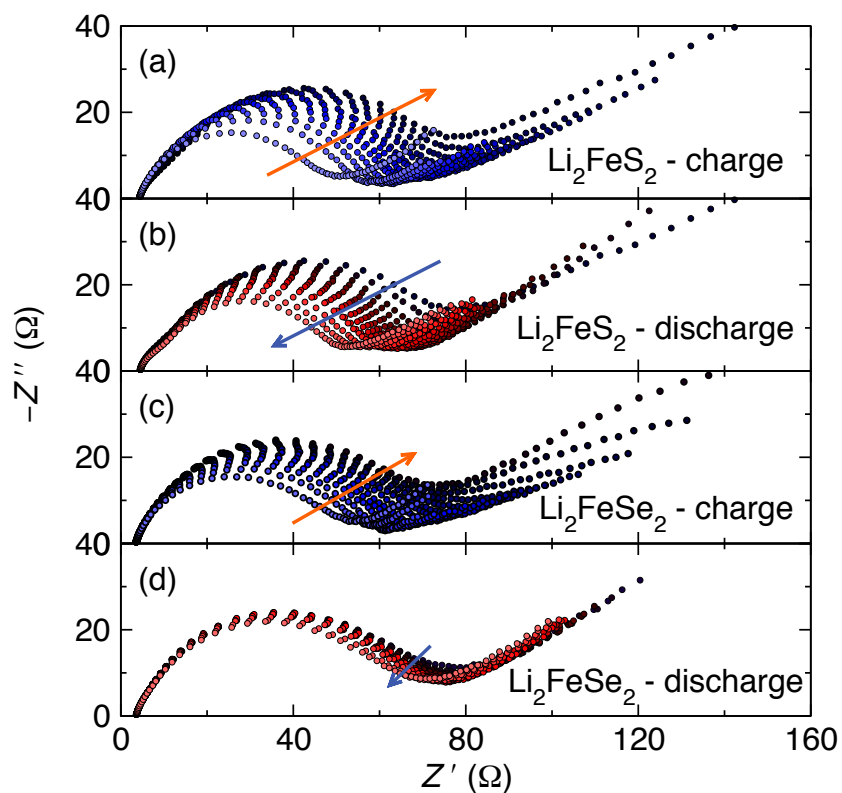


Figure S14: Electrochemical impedance measurements of  $\text{Li}_2\text{FeS}_2$  and  $\text{Li}_2\text{FeSe}_2$  cells at various states of charge. While the charge transfer resistance (low frequency, high impedance intercept of the semicircular feature) increases at increasing states of charge for both the sulfide and the selenide, only the sulfide exhibits reversibility and a decrease in the  $R_{\text{ct}}$  upon discharge.

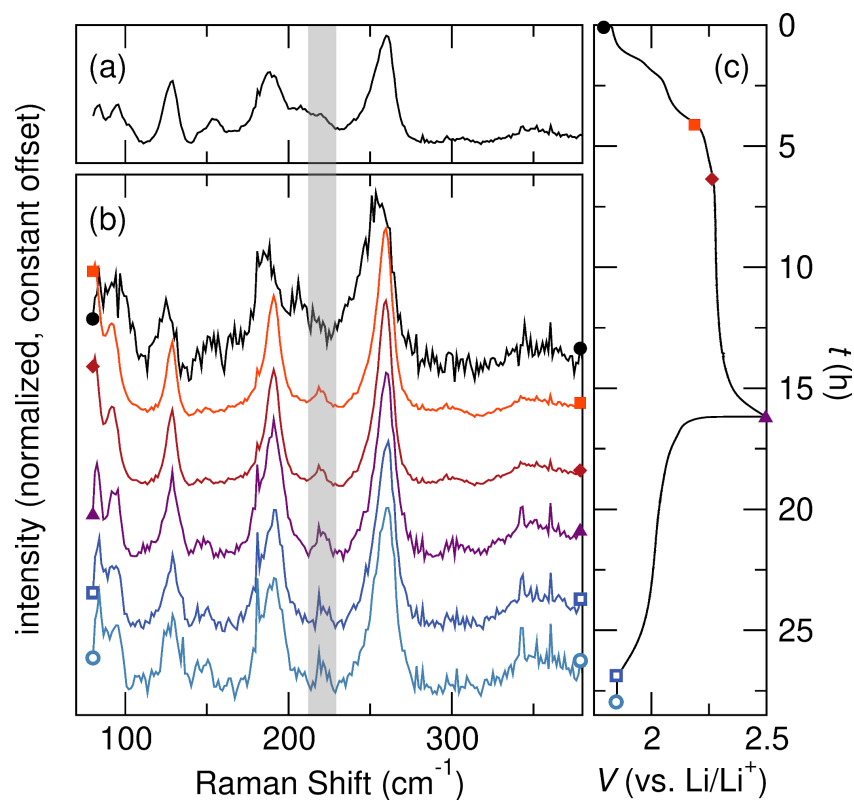


Figure S15: (a) *Ex situ* Raman spectroscopy of pristine  $\text{Li}_2\text{FeSe}_2$ . (b) *In situ* Raman spectroscopy of  $\text{Li}_2\text{FeSe}_2$  and (c) the correlated charge and discharge curves measured at C/10 based on  $1 \text{ e}^-$ . A new vibrational mode appears at  $219 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  appears upon charging and is maintained after the full discharge. The new mode is assigned to Se–Se stretches providing clear evidence of the formation of perselenide moieties throughout the oxidation process as Se and Fe are both oxidized to compensate for  $\text{Li}^+$  removal. The perselenide moieties may also be from the new high-impedance phase formed irreversibly during oxidation.